

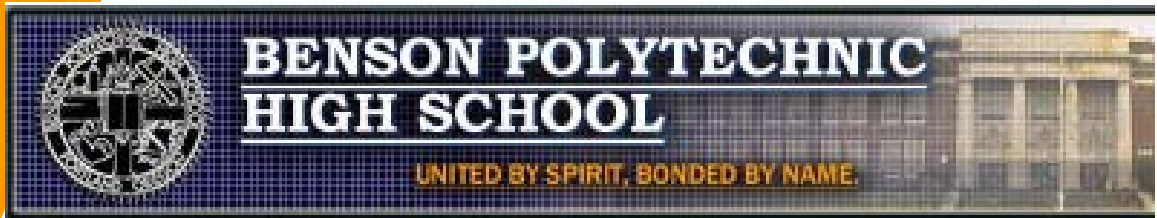


Portland Public Schools

Class of 2009
Valedictorians

May 11, 2009





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Student: **Kelly Ramirez Gutierrez**

Parents: Clemente E. and Remigia R. Gutierrez

Accomplishments:

- I made my parents proud.
- 2009 Skills USA 1st Place—Web Design.
- 2008 & 2009 CACA Basketball Tournament Champion.
- National Honor Society Member.

Kelly plans to attend Oregon State University.

Student: **Nhi Vu**

Parents: Manh Vu and Kelly Mai

Accomplishments:

- 2008-2009 State President of Oregon Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA).
- 2008-2009 President of the Benson Chapter of National Honor Society.
- National Merit Scholarship Program Commended Student.

Nhi plans to attend University of Oregon.

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Student: **Assunta Cicalese**
Parents: Charles and Kay Cicalese

Accomplishments:

- I've been taking piano lessons since fourth grade. I recently passed the Level Seven Syllabus exam and am now working on Level Eight.
- I have volunteered as a tutor at Sellwood Middle School once a week for three years.
- I have been accepted to the Architecture Program at the University of Oregon.

Assunta plans to attend University of Oregon.

Student: **Kaleb Dickson**
Parents: Brian Dickson and Carrie Dickson

Accomplishments:

- Being a Valedictorian and finishing high school with a 4.0 GPA.
- Never missing a single day of high school or being late to a class.
- Getting accepted into college and moving out of my parents' house to go live on campus.

Kaleb plans to attend Portland State University.

Student: **Claire Duquesne**
Parents: Eleanor Flores and Denis Duquesne

Accomplishments:

- Junior year, I finished in the highest level of Spanish. I speak and study French and received a top score on the Diplôme Approfondi de Langue Française (DALF).
- I biked to the top of Mt. Tabor four days in a row.
- I made two of my best friends senior year. I met a lot of new people.

Claire plans to attend University of California, Los Angeles.

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Student: **Allison Einolf**

Parents: David Einolf and Rebecca Einolf

Accomplishments:

- I have been an Outdoor School student leader for three years and have been honored at the tree-planting ceremony for excellence in teaching field study twice.
- I have played French horn in the Portland Youth Philharmonic (PYP) organization for five years and am now Co-Assistant Principal horn.
- I am a National Merit Scholar.

Allison plans to attend Macalester College.

Student: **Matthew Horten**

Parents: Gerd and Anette Horten

Accomplishments:

- I want to recognize all those who shape me, but whom I've never previously acknowledged.

Matthew plans to attend Occidental College.

Student: **Ben Keisling**

Parents: Pam Wiley and Phil Keisling

Accomplishments:

- Received the highest merit scholarship at St. Olaf College.
- Played the lead in the most recent school musical, *Bye Bye Birdie*.
- Being selected three years in a row to perform in the Oregon Bach Festival.

Ben plans to attend St. Olaf College.

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Student: **Tala Kernan**

Parents: Lisa Florentino and Patrick Kernan

Accomplishments:

- Along with keeping up with my school work, I was able to pursue my love of art and dancing.
- I was able to get close to eight hours of sleep every night.

Tala plans to attend Pratt Institute.

Student: **Emma Kovak**

Parents: Todd Easton and Karen Kovack

Accomplishments:

- Participating in the All State and All Northwest Honor Choirs.
- Becoming a section leader in the Cleveland A Choir.
- Meeting lots of new people and making new friends, especially senior year.

Emma plans to attend St. Olaf College.

Student: **Anthony Lee**

Parents: Larry Lee and Nicole Bernhard-Lee

Accomplishments:

- On track to complete full International Baccalaureate.
- Completed eight weeks of Outdoor School.
- Completed seven athletic seasons.

Anthony is undecided and may attend Loyola Marymount University, Occidental College, or American University.

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Student: **Emily Nathan**
Parent: Marilyn Nathan

Accomplishments:

- Being a member of Planned Parenthood's Teen Council.
- Participating in varsity tennis four years and winning the 5A Doubles District Title in 2008.
- Volunteering at an indigenous medical clinic as a translator through CISA Costa Rica.

Emily plans to attend Claremont McKenna College.

Student: **Ben Naemura**
Parents: Will and Colleen Naemura

Accomplishments:

- Class President for two years.
 - I passed the Level 10 Syllabus exam for Piano.
- Ben's plans are undecided.

Student: **Lee Rosch**
Parents: Maxine Fookson and Ned Rosch

Accomplishments:

- The most incredible accomplishment I have witnessed during my high school years is that of all the hard-working people (teachers, coaches, and school staff) who sacrifice countless hours every day to inspire students to achieve their goals. It is their dedication that has allowed me, and, more importantly, so many others, to reach new heights and to continue to aspire towards greater achievements.

Lee plans to attend Occidental College.

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Student: **Morgan Schurr**

Parents: Scott and Sarah Schurr

Accomplishments:

- Completion of the full International Baccalaureate Diploma Program.
- Work as a counselor at OMSI Summer Science Camps working with and teaching science and life skills to students of various ages, nationalities, and backgrounds.
- Completion of the OHSU Partnership for Scientific Inquiry Program. Morgan plans to attend Western Washington University.

Student: **Caitlin Sweeney**

Parents: Peter Sweeney and Julie Keil

Accomplishments:

- I participated in the Reed Young Scholars Program while working towards a full International Baccalaureate Diploma.
- I have been tennis team captain for the past two years.
- I have played the violin for the past ten years, both in the Metropolitan Youth Symphony and private lessons.

Caitlin plans to attend Scripps College.

Student: **Sam Tongue**

Parents: Bob and Mary Tongue

Accomplishments:

- Three-year member of the KBPS Sports Broadcasting team.
- Senior Class Cabinet member (Co-Treasurer).
- Full International Baccalaureate candidate.

Sam plans to attend Arizona State University.

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Student: **Kate Van Brocklin**

Parents: Bob and Sue Van Brocklin

Accomplishments:

- I interned with Congressman Earl Blumenauer at his district office during my junior and senior years.
- I'm a Reed Young Scholar and I'm enrolled in second-year college French.
- I intern at Focus the Nation, an environmental non-profit that works towards promoting awareness on climate change and clean energy solutions.

Kate plans to attend Brown University.

Student: **Cory Ventres-Pake**

Parents: Catherine Pake and William Ventres

Cory is currently out of the country studying in India.

Student: **Eilise Ward**

Parents: Seamus Ward and Tamara Owen

Accomplishments:

- First Place Drill Down State Champion 2008.
- Three year STARS Teen Leader.
- Coach of the Sellwood Stars Middle School Dance Team.

Eilise is undecided about plans for the fall.



Franklin High School

HOME OF THE QUAKERS



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Student: **Jeanette Edel**
Parents: Carol and Thomas Edel

Accomplishments:

- I have built small houses in Mexico with my church.
 - I traversed the Grand Canyon rim to rim in the heat of July.
 - I have participated in and helped lead Christian Students United Club.
- Jeanette plans to attend George Fox College probably.

Student: **Evan Ingerson**
Parents: Kathleen and David Ingerson

Accomplishments:

- Winning two Best Picture Awards and one Best Actor Award as a member of seacows.net at the Franklin Film Festival.
 - Advancing to the National Rock Climbing Championships nine years in a row while still maintaining academic excellence.
 - For continued education in the fields of anatomy and athletic trainings, which have prepared me for success in the medical field in college.
- Evan plans to attend Oregon State University.

Student: **Carmen Li**
Parents: Peter and Jan Li

Accomplishments:

- 2009 Dell Scholars Program—awarded \$20,000.
 - Thirteen Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association Scholarships and Awards.
 - Tennis varsity letter.
 - Presidential Education Program Award.
- Carmen plans to attend University of Washington or University of Oregon.



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Student: **Carver Oblander**

Parents: Patrick and Yuko Oblander

Accomplishments:

- As a member of film making crew seacows.net, won the Franklin Film Festival two years in a row.
- Franklin Mock Trial Student of the Year 2008.
- Participated in two units in the We The People Constitutional Competition and won unit award with Unit 6.

Carver plans to attend Willamette University or Linfield College.

Student: **Joy Shufeldt**

Parents: Randy and Cindi Shufeldt

Accomplishments:

- Have been involved in cross country and track throughout high school. Made it to state championship race three times in cross country and once in track. In cross country, voted "MVP" sophomore and junior year and "Team Captain" senior year.
- Maintained active involvement in church while taking rigorous courses at school. Have gone on mission trips to Idaho, San Francisco, Canada and Mexico.
- Voted Franklin's 2009 Rose Festival Princess.

Joy plans to attend Whitworth University or Oregon State University.

Student: **Trevor Zinser**

Parents: Scott and Kamila Zinser

Accomplishments:

- Received Harvard Book Award.
- Multnomah Athletic Club Scholar Athlete.
- National Football Foundation Scholar Athlete.
- Eagle Scout.

Trevor plans to attend Massachusetts Institute of Technology.



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Student: **Patrick Bauer**

Parents: Mary Lee Baker and John Bauer

Accomplishments:

- 2008 Men's Soccer State Champion (High School).
- 2009 Constitution Team State Champion.
- Conducted soccer camps in Rwanda for orphans.

Patrick plans to attend Tufts University.

Student: **Sam Bendinelli**

Parents: Mark and Annette Bendinelli

Accomplishments:

- Created and maintain a community battery recycling container.
- Grant High School Constitution Team.
- Co-President, Model United Nations.

Sam plans to attend Yale University.

Student: **James-Paul Cumming**

Parents: James and Bonnie Cumming

Accomplishments:

- State champion in the 800 meter freestyle at the 2008 Long-Course Swimming State Championship Meet.
- State co-champions in the 2009 Oregon Scholastic State Chess Tournament.
- Not just studying through high school, but living and thriving in it.

James-Paul plans to attend Pomona College.



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Student: **Elise Downing**

Parents: Bob Downing and Jean Fogarty

Accomplishments:

- Five-time Outdoor School student leader at Sandy River Outdoor School.
- Nationally recognized Grant High School Constitution Team member for 2008-2009 school year.
- Silver and gold medals in the 2006 and 2007 National Latin Exam.

Elise plans to attend University of Oregon Honors College.

Student: **Kelsey Frost**

Parents: Jeff and Kathy Frost

Accomplishments:

- Taking upper division Spanish courses at Lewis & Clark College (Fall 2008-Spring 2009).
- Scientific research internship at the Oregon National Primate Research Center (Summer 2007).
- Institute of Science and Mathematics Honors Portfolio (compiled over the course of high school years).

Kelsey plans to attend Scripps College, Pitzer College or Occidental College.

Student: **Rebecca Harburg**

Parents: Tom Harburg and Alida Rol

Accomplishments:

- Varsity tennis.
- Journalism internship.
- Theater.

Rebecca plans to attend Colorado College.



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Student: **Maddy Hubbard**

Parents: John and Katy Hubbard

Accomplishments:

- DoJump Movement Theater performer.
- National Honor Society Secretary.
- National Latin Exam Gold Medal.

Maddy plans to attend Vassar College.

Student: **Suzanne Jaszczult**

Parents: Rick and Dana Jaszczult

Accomplishments:

- Grant High School Constitution Team State Champion.
- Royal Blues Chamber Choir.
- Outdoor School student leader.

Suzanne plans to attend Kenyon College or Whitman College.

Student: **Sarah Knudsen**

Parents: Larry Knudsen and Sheryl Horwitz

Accomplishments:

- Thirteen years of study in Portland Public Schools Japanese Immersion Studies Program.
- I received third place in the category of Foreign Languages for Multnomah County's Academic All-Stars.
- I received an award from Portland Parks and Recreation and former Portland Mayor Tom Potter for Youth Volunteer of the Year in April 2006.

Sarah plans to attend Western Washington University.



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Student: **Edward Louie**

Parents: David and Teresa Louie

Accomplishments:

- Volunteering my time and skills in computers and photography.
- National Honor Society tutoring.
- Surviving freshman year.

Edward plans to attend Bucknell University.

Student: **Amy Marsha**

Parents: Terry and Dayna Marsha

Accomplishments:

- Completion of the ten-level Oregon Music Teachers Association piano syllabus program with recognized honors.
- Editor-in-chief of the Grant High School newspaper, The Grantonian.
- Teaches piano to young children in the neighborhood.

Amy plans to attend University of Oregon Honors College.

Student: **Hadley Mowe**

Parents: Will Mowe and Kristi Mowe

Accomplishments:

- Senior Class Vice President.
- National Honor Society Council.
- Varsity tennis.

Hadley plans to attend Whitman College.



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Student: **Louis Reckford**

Parents: Ed Reckford and Nancy Becker

Accomplishments:

- Playing on varsity baseball and football teams.
- Directing a one act play.
- Making the most of my four years in high school.

Louie plans to attend University of California, Santa Barbara.

Student: **Claire Reed-Dustin**

Parents: Katherine Reed and Charles Dustin

Accomplishments:

- I played three varsity sports: volleyball, basketball, softball.
- Member of the Japanese Magnet Program for thirteen years.
- Captain of the varsity volleyball team.

Claire plans to attend University of Oregon.

Student: **Holden Rennaker**

Parents: Chad and Dana Rennaker

Accomplishments:

- Cross Country Team Captain.
- National Honor Society.
- Varsity track and field.

Holden plans to attend Oregon State University.



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Student: **Marta Schenck**

Parents: Rand Schenck and Ingrid Nylen

Accomplishments:

- Winning State for Constitution Team.
- Earning an internship after my junior year at Kolish Hartwell Patent Law Firm.
- Being a student leader at Outdoor School four times.

Marta plans to attend Whitman College.

Student: **Julia Stafford**

Parents: Rod Stafford and Molly Day

Accomplishments:

- Three-year company member with the Jefferson Dancers.
- National Honor Society.
- Volunteer with Mennonite Disaster Service.

Julia is undecided about future plans.

Student: **Charles Vallejo-Anderson**

Parents: Jeff Anderson and Joan Vallejo

Accomplishments:

- 2009 Constitution Team State Champions.
- Model United Nations.
- Directing a one-act play senior year.

Charles plans to attend Pomona College.



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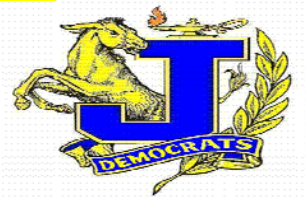
Student: **Joseph Volpert**

Parents: Timothy and Joan Volpert

Accomplishments:

- I was awarded the Coca-Cola Scholarship, one of only 250 national awards for leadership and academics.
- I was awarded the Bank of America Neighborhood Excellence Initiative Award for my eight-week internship with Habitat for Humanity as part of the Bank of America's Student Leaders Program.
- I served on advisory boards to the Multnomah County Board, Portland City Council, Portland Public School's Superintendent, and Oregon State Superintendent of Public Education.

Joe plans to attend Whitman College.



Jefferson High School

Valedictorian

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Student: **Brittnie Marcell**

Parent: Sharell Bethune

Accomplishments:

- Lifetime Achievement honoree.
- Student Body President.
- Dancer of the Year.

Brittnie plans to attend Clark University in Atlanta or University of Southern California.

Lincoln High School



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Student: **Shannon Armstrong**

Parents: Patty Morgan and Cary Armstrong

Accomplishments:

- Participating in the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program.
- Rode my bike across Oregon.
- Eleven years of piano study.

Shannon plans to attend University of San Francisco.

Student: **Dana Bacharach**

Parents: Alan Bacharach and Sheila Rittenberg

Accomplishments:

- After volunteering in a medical clinic in Yushu, Tibet for one month in the summer of 2007, I organized a fundraiser with proceeds going to the medical clinic. Pictures, stories and video footage drew over 300 people to Cinema 21 on February 24, 2008 and raised nearly \$8,000 for the medical clinic.
- For three years I have been a Raphael House Teen Ambassador, presenting to middle and high schools about domestic violence and teaching prevention and awareness.
- I am a board member of the Oregon Jewish Community Youth Foundation. This year I co-chaired our annual community dinner that drew 130 people and raised over \$30,000.

Dana plans to attend Barnard College - Columbia University.

Student: **Kaitlan Benner**

Parents: Dr. Kent and Debra Benner

Kaitlan plans on taking a gap year after high school.

Lincoln High School



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Student: **Anna Deffebach**

Parents: Mark and Christina Deffebach

Accomplishments:

- I've been in the Spanish Immersion Program since kindergarten at Ainsworth, West Sylvan and Lincoln. I have been taking French for six years and learned German through immersion while living there. I now speak four languages and hope to learn more in college.
- I have played the flute for over seven years and have played at the highest level of band and orchestra with the Metropolitan Youth Symphony for the last two years.
- While at Lincoln, I have participated on the Constitution team and Mock Trial team, winning second and third in the state respectively.

Anna plans to attend Dartmouth College.

Student: **Jasmine Dickinson**

Parents: Jay and Marianne Dickinson

Accomplishments:

- National qualifier for the National Debate Tournament in Birmingham, Alabama, in Public Forum Debate.
- PIL District Champion in Original Oratory (Speech and Debate).
- National Forensics League "Academic All-American" Award.

Jasmine plans to attend University of Oregon Clark Honors College.

Student: **Katherine Dobscha**

Parents: Lori Siegal and Steve Dobscha

Accomplishments:

- Full International Baccalaureate Diploma student.
- Assistant Concertmaster of the Metropolitan Youth Symphony Orchestra.
- Chaired a community-wide charity dance for two years that brought over \$10,000 to the Oregon Jewish Community Youth Foundation, a philanthropy board of which she has been a member for five years.

Katherine plans to attend Washington University in St. Louis.

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Student: **Talia Goldberg**

Parents: Bruce Goldberg and Ora Botwinick

Accomplishments:

- Varsity swimming all four years. Fifth place overall this year in the 100 meter butterfly.
- Worked with a state representative to pass a bill through the 2007 legislature.
- Full International Baccalaureate Program.

Talia plans to attend University of Pennsylvania.

Student: **Kelly Hall**

Parents: Pam and Lee Hall

Accomplishments:

- International Studies Center.
- National Honor Society.
- Zoo and Portland Children's Museum volunteering.

Kelly plans to attend Washington State University.

Student: **Morriah Kaplan**

Parents: Marni Glick and Hank Kaplan

Accomplishments:

- 2008 recipient of Joshua Stampfer Community Enrichment Award in recognition of community service work.
- Senior Class Vice-President.
- Candidate for full International Baccalaureate Diploma.

Morriah plans to attend Washington University in St. Louis.

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Student: **Stephen Kenyon**

Parents: Howard and Kim Kenyon

Accomplishments:

- State Speech Champion in Public Debate.
 - Second place All League PIL/Metro/Three River League Chess.
 - Work published in 2007-2008 Writers in the Schools Student Anthology.
- Stephen plans to attend George Fox University.

Student: **Gabriel Mathews**

Parents: Daniel and Sabrina Mathews

Accomplishments:

- National Council of Teachers of English Achievement in Writing Award.
 - Writing for the fall New Works Festival (theater) Blitz. My play was called *Economics*.
 - Reed Young Scholars (Russian).
- Gabe plans to attend Occidental College.

Student: **Amanda Miller**

Parents: Peter and Sally Miller

Accomplishments:

- 2007 & 2008 back-to-back State Soccer Champion.
 - 2007 West Coast Soccer Region IV finalist.
 - Vice President of National Charity League Class of 2009 (2007).
- Amanda plans to attend Tufts University.

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Student: **Suzanne Mirashrafi**

Parents: Jacqui Dowsett and Mojoy Mirashrafi

Accomplishments:

- I have earned my black belt in Tae Kwon Do.
- I have raised a guide dog for Guide Dogs for the Blind. She is currently working with her partner in Wisconsin.
- I am a full diploma candidate in the International Baccalaureate Program. Suzanne plans to attend Robert D. Clark Honors College at University of Oregon.

Student: **Ismael Padin-Dujon**

Parents: Veronica Dujon and Jose Padin

Accomplishments:

- National Merit Scholar.
 - Study of classical violin for thirteen years.
 - Full International Baccalaureate student.
- Ismael plans to attend Columbia University.

Student: **Lauren Shin**

Parents: Sejung and Catherine Shin

Accomplishments:

- Principal cellist in the Portland Youth Philharmonic.
 - Third place solo state competition for cello.
 - State Champion Dance Team, 12th grade.
- Lauren plans to attend Oregon State University.

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Student: **Joe Sleven**

Parents: Dr. Rodger and Marcella Sleven

Accomplishments:

- Four year varsity athlete (soccer).
- Winner of the 2008 Dartmouth Alumni Club Book Award.
- Soccer accomplishments: sophomore year honorable mention PIL; junior year first team PIL, second team all-state; senior year first team PIL, first team all-state.

Joe plans to attend Cornell University.

Student: **Kyle Thompson**

Parents: Cynthia and Derek Thompson

Accomplishments:

- Received the MECOP internship offer from OSU engineering.
- Full International Baccalaureate Diploma candidate.
- Winner of the Dean of Engineering Scholarship (OSU).

Kyle plans to attend Oregon State University.

Student: **Sarah Young**

Parents: Robin and Mark Young

Accomplishments:

- I wrote two one-act plays for the Lincoln New Works Festival.
- I was on the 2007 Constitution Team.
- I am a Reed Young Scholar in political science.

Sarah plans to attend University of Rochester.



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Direction Madison High School

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Marian Anderson Community

Student: **Carmen Chavez**

Parents: David and Vanessa Chavez

Accomplishments:

- Being a part of varsity sports, clubs, and activities—including volleyball, tennis, National Honor Society, Key Club, etc.—while maintaining my academics.
- Being a dependable mentor for an underprivileged student for two years through Impact Northwest.
- Making it to the 2008-2009 OSAA State playoffs for both varsity volleyball and Girls Varsity Tennis.

Carmen plans to attend University of San Diego.

S Community

Student: **Anita Polyakov**

Parents: Nikolay and Svetlana Polyakov

Accomplishments:

- I have received college credits for English and Spanish.
- I am the Vice President of National Honor Society.
- I have taken four Advanced Placement classes: U.S. history, literature and composition, calculus, and psychology.

Anita plans to attend University of Portland.



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Madison High School

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H Community

Student: **Danny Danciu**

Parents: Peter and Ofelia Danciu

Accomplishments:

- 4.0 GPA (weighted is about 4.1).
 - Passed all Advanced Placement Exams.
 - Track Captain and went to State for soccer and track (Student Athlete).
- Danny plans to attend Concordia University.

Student: **Kylar Giese**

Parents: Shelly Guy and Lyle Giese

Accomplishments:

- I was the Living Editor of our school newspaper, "The Constitution" for the 2008-2009 school year.
- I was President of the 2009 Class Council for four years, a member of Key Club for three years, a member of National Honor Society for two years, and a mentor through Portland Impact for one year.
- I am the first in my family to hold a 4.0 GPA and go on to a four-year university.

Kylar plans to attend University of Oregon.

Student: **Mataya McNeill**

Guardians: Phillene and Thomas McNeill

Accomplishments:

- I am the MAC Scholar Athlete for the Class of 2009.
- I am the Rose Festival Princess from Madison.
- I have been to state competitions for sports seven times (3 for cross country, 2 for soccer, and 2 for track). I have also been a team captain eight different times.

Mataya plans to attend University of San Diego.



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Biz Tech High School

Student: **Reuben Idao**

Parents: Charlie and Melanie Idao

Accomplishments:

- Getting into the Construction Camp Program and completing it.
- Becoming more of a people person and getting along with other students.
- Writing a children's book that talked about the life of a salmon that I read to elementary school students.

Reuben plans to attend Portland State University.

Pauling Academy

Student: **Jenny Chan**

Parents: Sun Ning and Rui Rong Chan

Accomplishments:

- Successfully completed Biology 101/102 at Reed College as a Reed Young Scholar.
- National Honor Society volunteer work with the Oregon Blood Bank.
- Oregon Health Science University scientific inquiry class.

Jenny plans to attend University of Portland.

Renaissance Arts Academy

Student: **Sheila Heath**

Guardians: Grace Constantine-Sinclair and Micha Sinclair

Accomplishments:

- At the age of 12 I made the choice to leave an abusive and dangerous situation and move to Portland to live with my sister and brother-in-law.
- At the age of 16 I was awarded a Dean's Scholarship to attend a six-week college course program at Brown University.
- I have been offered admissions to Boston University's Scholars Program, New York University's Scholars Program, Stanford, University of Chicago's Scholars Program, Brown's Scholars Program, a Fellowship at Cornell, and Columbia's Scholars Program.

Sheila plans to attend the Scholars Program at Columbia University.



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Student: **Magdalen Jenne**

Parents: Noelle Allen and Paul Jenne

Accomplishments:

- I developed a prototype for a new bandage at HemCon Medical Technologies, Inc.
- I testified in Salem for House Bill 2509.
- I helped create two educational videos with the Cascade AIDS Project's Teen2Teen Program.

Magdalen plans to attend Sarah Lawrence College or University of Chicago.

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ACT (School of Arts, Communication, & Technology)

Student: **Anthea Vang**
Parents: Gao Cha and Leng Vang

Accomplishments:

- Co-captain for varsity volleyball, two-year first team all league player.
- Roosevelt Rose Festival Court member.
- Multnomah Athletic Club Scholar Athlete Scholarship recipient.

Anthea plans to attend Oregon State University.

POWER (Pursuit of Wellness Education)

Student: **Terrell Malley**
Parents: Terry and Lorraine Malley

Accomplishments:

- National Football Foundation Scholarship.
- Varsity athlete and captain in two sports.
- Power Leadership Award.

Terrell plans to attend Willamette University or Oregon State University.

SEIS (Spanish and English International School)

Student: **Berenise Delgado**
Parents: Maxmillian Delgado and Vicenta Delgado

Accomplishments:

- I took five Advanced Placement classes during my junior year.
- I am the first in my family to graduate high school and attend college.
- Played all four years of volleyball and two years varsity.

Berenise plans to attend Oregon State University.



Wilson High School

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Student: **Ian Alevy**

Parents: Martin and Bilha Alevy

Accomplishments:

- Conducted research at Portland State University Physics Department in ASE Program.
- Advanced Placement Scholar with Distinction.
- Perform classical piano.

Ian plans to attend the University of Chicago.

Student: **Carlie Dennison-Leonard**

Parents: Charles and Sarah Dennison-Leonard

Accomplishments:

- Five time student leader at Arrah Wanna Outdoor School.
- Two-year captain of the varsity basketball team.
- Senior co-captain of the varsity soccer team.

Carlie plans to attend Smith College.

Student: **H. Samuel Ewan**

Parents: Michael and Lynda Ewan

Accomplishments:

- Eagle Scout with three Palms.
- Oregon Ambassadors of Music European Concert Tour Member 2007.
- Directed activities at full scale replica of Ft. Clatsop at Camp Meriwether including teaching blacksmithing and wilderness survival classes.

Sam plans to attend Occidental College, Lake Forest College, or California Polytechnic State University.



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Student: **Chris Fenrick**

Parents: Mike and Terri Fenrick

Accomplishments:

- Acquired the rank of black belt in Tae-Kwon-Do.
- Achieved the requirements for both traditional and 21st century honors.
- Enrolled in both Portland State University and Portland Community College for the purpose of taking courses not offered at the high school level.

Chris plans to attend Oregon State University Honors College.

Student: **Jennie Greb**

Parents: Holly Bell and Randy Greb

Accomplishments:

- Co-leader of the Culture Night Committee to plan the event.
- 21st Century Scholar and member of the National Honor Society.
- Participated in the Wilson cross country, track, lacrosse, and dragon boat teams.

Jennie plans to attend Pacific Lutheran University.

Student: **Brittany Hartmann**

Parents: Cindy and Patrick Hartmann

Accomplishments:

- Maintaining a 4.0 while playing two sports a year and working 14-hour weeks during school.
- Varsity lacrosse all four years, captain for soccer and lacrosse my senior year.
- Been on honor roll (above 3.85 GPA) since 6th grade.

Brittany plans to attend Lenoir-Rhyne University.



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Student: **Hadas Horenstein**

Parents: Robert and Dorice Horenstein

Accomplishments:

- President of the Jewish Student Union at Wilson High School which does outreach to Jewish teens.
- Founder of and counselor at a day camp for Jewish youth (ages 4—14) that gives children a way to connect to their culture through educational activities, games, sports, etc.
- I've been a member for four years on a youth philanthropic board composed of about 25 high schools are together we have raised over \$75,000 to allocate to both local and overseas non-profit organizations and charities.

Hadas plans to attend University of Oregon Clark Honors College.

Student: **Dave Keiter**

Parents: James Keiter and Amy Keiter

Accomplishments:

- Outdoor School student leader five times.
- Mock Trial varsity team member.
- Scores 3's or better on three Advanced Placement tests.

Dave plans to attend Cornell University.

Student: **Olivia Kipper**

Parents: Darren and Susan Kipper

Accomplishments:

- Six-time Outdoor School student leader at Camp Namanu.
- Second place in individual event at State Competition for Speech and Debate; team got first place overall.
- Senior Editor for yearbook.

Olivia plans to attend Whitman College.



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Student: **Matthew Klein**

Parents: Liz and Arnie Klein

Accomplishments:

- 4th place National Scottish Fiddling Contest, Richmond, Virginia October 2008.
- Voted "Most Dedicated Varsity Cross Country Team Runner", Fall 2008.
- Concert Master for Wilson Orchestra three years, (tried to improve the orchestra each year of high school).

Student: **Sheridan Larsell**

Parent: Matthew and Karima Larsell

Accomplishments:

- Outdoor School student leader for three years.
 - Both a Traditional Scholar and a 21st Century Scholar and member of Wilson's National Honor Society.
 - Member of Wilson's Students for Environmental Action Club for two years.
- Sheridan plans to attend University of Oregon Robert D. Clark Honors College.

Student: **Nate Makuch**

Parents: Joe and Wendi Makuch

Accomplishments:

- Editor-in-chief of yearbook.
- President of Model United Nations.
- National Merit Commended Student.

Nate plans to attend Northwestern University.



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Student: **Miranda Paasche**

Parents: Carl and Delanie Paasche

Accomplishments:

- Five-time student leader at Outdoor School.
 - 4-H State Champion for Poultry.
 - Community service project and backpacking in Costa Rica.
- Miranda plans to attend Pacific Lutheran University.

Student: **Rahman A. Rahim**

Parent: Said and Shaima Rahim

Accomplishments:

- Advance Placement Scholar with Honors.
 - Community leader at local mosque.
 - First person in family to attend college.
- Rahman plans to attend Lafayette College.

Student: **Lindsey Rowntree**

Parents: Ray and Louise Rowntree

Accomplishments:

- Six years of English Hunter/Jumper horseback riding.
 - National Honor Society member.
 - Recipient of a merit-based scholarship to the University of Denver.
- Lindsey plans to attend University of Denver.



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Student: **Na'ama Schweitzer**
Parents: Ronen and Yael Schweitzer

Accomplishments:

- Academic All-Star Finalist (Social Science).
 - Six-time Outdoor School student leader.
 - Traditional and 21st Century Scholar at Wilson.
- Na'ama plans to attend University of Puget Sound.

Student: **Benjamin Silberberg**
Parent: Jennifer and Phillip Silberberg

Accomplishments:

- Four-year member of men's varsity tennis team.
 - President of Culture Night Planning Committee and Interact Club.
 - Board member of the Oregon Jewish Community Youth Foundation for three years.
- Benjamin plans to attend McGill University, after gap-year traveling.

Student: **Jordan Terriere**
Parents: Patty and Rick Terriere

Accomplishments:

- I won the Presidential Scholarship at Oregon State University.
 - I received the Wilson Dance Team's Spirit Award.
 - I am on Wilson's Rose Festival Court.
- Jordan plans to attend Oregon State University.



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Student: **Alexis Vidal**

Parent: George Vidal

Accomplishments:

- Studied at Somerville College through the Oxford Advanced Studies Program.
- Spent three and a half weeks in France.
- Got a photo into the Baker and Spice Art Show.

Alexis is undecided about future plans.